



TROOP INFORMATION RUMOR CONTROL (0604)

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- a. Passing the word.**
- b. The Company Bulletin Board.**
- c. The use of E-Mail and other
methods of passing the
word.**
- d. Fighting rumors.**

PASSING THE WORD

→ Before passing the word in any fashion, whether in formation, at a platoon sergeant's meeting, or by other means, make sure you verify;

□ It is TRUE, and you know the source.

PASSING THE WORD

- ▮ At Formations and Meetings;**
- ▮ Ask for feed back.**
- ▮ Even if you pass 100% perfect word at the company formation, only two-thirds of the company will get it.**

Company Bulletin Board

It may be old fashioned in today's electronic age, but every Marine doesn't have a computer.

Also, there are several items, (the UCMJ, Code of Conduct, Request Mast, etc.) that are required to be posted in a

E-Mail and Other Methods

- (1) E-Mail is a marvelous tool.**
- (2) Company Memorandums and Plans of the Day.**
- (3) Use the base paper and, if you have it, base cable station.**

FIGHTING THE RUMOR MILL

**One of the most destructive
devices ever inflicted on unit
cohesion and morale is the
"rumor."**

FIGHTING THE RUMOR MILL

When one is brought to your attention ask hard questions.

- a. Where did you hear that?**
- b. Who told you that?**
- c. Do you think it is true?**
- d. Who have you repeated this too? Go tell them it is a rumor!**
- e. Do you have any Proof?**

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- a. Publications and Directives**
- b. Duty Experts**
- c. The Marine Corps Research Center**
- d. The Marine Corps Lessons
Learned System**

QUESTIONS

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